

50 Years of Measuring the Public's Health
Conference to commemorate the National Health Interview Survey's 50th anniversary
June 25, 2007
National Center for Health Statistics, Auditorium
3311 Toledo Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Time	Presentation	Presenter(s)
9:00 - 9:15 am	Opening; Organizational information	Jane Gentleman, Director, Division of Health Interview Statistics, NCHS
9:15 - 9:30 am	Welcome	Ed Sondik, NCHS Director
9:30 - 10:00 am	History & impact of the NHIS	Jennifer Madans, Associate Director for Science, NCHS
10:00 - 10:40 am	Stories from the Field: Tales of what it's like to be an NHIS interviewer (edited to preserve confidentiality)	A Senior NHIS Field Representative, Census Bureau & Jane Gentleman, Director, Division of Health Interview Statistics, NCHS
10:40 – 11:00 am	Refreshment break	
11:00 am - 12:00 noon	A conversation with NCHS Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ed Perrin, NCHS Director, 1973-75 • Bob Israel, Acting NCHS Director, 1975-76 & 1982-83 • Dorothy Rice, NCHS Director, 1976-82 • Manning Feinleib, NCHS Director, 1983-95 • Ed Sondik, NCHS Director since 1997 • Sandy Smith, Moderator, formerly Associate Director for Communications Science, NCHS
12:00 noon – 2:00 pm	Lunch (on your own in the NCHS neighborhood). Posters, demonstrations, & exhibits: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 10 winning posters from the NHIS Poster Contest 2. Posters from Census Bureau, National Institutes of Health, & National Cancer Institute, and older posters from NCHS 3. Live demo of the NHIS Race & Hispanic Origin Web site 4. Live demo of the NHIS Tobacco History Web site 5. Live demo of the Disability Research Institute's Web site on disability 6. Demo of the administration of the NHIS questionnaire 7. Commemorative quilt 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 10 poster contest winners 2. -- 3. Jacqueline Lucas, Health Statistician, NCHS 4. Deborah Rose, Senior Research Scientist, NCHS & Jean Howie, Survey Statistician, NCHS 5. Mary Grace Kovar, NORC & Mike Cooke, NORC 6. Census Bureau staff 7. --
2:00 – 2:20 pm	The history of how the NHIS learned about people's race and ethnicity	Jacqueline Lucas, Health Statistician, NCHS

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2:20 – 3:20 pm	Talks by co-Sponsors of some NHIS supplements: 1. National Institute of Mental Health, NIH 2. National Cancer Institute, NIH 3. National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, NIH 4. Healthy People national health objectives, DHHS	Representatives of Co-Sponsors: 1. Eve Mościcki, Deputy Associate Director for Child & Adolescent Research, NIMH 2. Nancy Breen, Economist, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, NCI 3. Richard Nahin, Senior Advisor for Scientific Coordination and Outreach, NCCAM 4. Linda Bilheimer, Associate Director, Office of Analysis and Epidemiology, NCHS
3:20 - 3:40 pm	Harmonizing NHIS data over time: The Integrated Health Interview Series (IHIS)	Michael Davern, Research Director, State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC), University of Minnesota
3:40-4:00 pm	Federal statistics, values, and the NHIS	Bob Groves, Research Professor, Univ. of Maryland; Research Professor, Univ. of Michigan
4:00 –4:10 pm	Closing remarks	Ed Sondik, Director, NCHS
4:10 – 5:15 pm	Birthday cake reception. More time to view the posters, exhibits, & demos.	